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--4. The device of claim 3 wherein the securing means includes a second end portion at the other end of the rod or tube.

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8. The device of claim 2 wherein the mounting is adapted to be attached to said building element.

9. The device of claim 1 wherein said building element has an aperture and said securing means passes through or engages with the aperture.

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11. A building element including at least one mounting location for receiving the anchor device of claim 1.

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13. The building element of claim 12 wherein the or each location is a bore sized to allow the securing means to pass therethrough to engage the mounting means and sandwich the building element between the mounting means and at least part of the securing means.

14. The combination of an anchor device as claimed in claim 1 and a building element including at least one mounting location for receiving the anchor device.--

REMARKS

Claims 1 to 14 are pending in the application. A marked up copy of the amended claims is attached in accordance with the new rules.

The purpose of this amendment is to insert the reference to the parent application of which this is a continuation, and delete the multiple dependent claims in this application, and thereby eliminate excessive claim fees. Such amendments are formal in nature and no new matter is added by any of the above amendments. Entry of this amendment and early examination of this application are respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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1. An anchor device for a safety rope, the anchor device including:

receiving means for receiving an end of a safety rope mounted on or integral with a first end portion of the rod or tube;

wherein the rod or tube includes a tapered portion with the smaller end of the tapered portion nearest to the receiving means.

10 2. The device of claim 1 further including mounting means to which the
securing means is secured.

3. The device of claim 2 wherein the mounting means includes two or more locations to receive the securing means.

4. The device of ^{claim 3} ~~any one of claims 1 to 3~~ wherein the securing means includes a second end portion at the other end of the rod or tube.

5. The device of claim 4 wherein at least part of the second end portion is threaded.

6. The device of claim 5 wherein the securing means includes at least one locking nut adapted to engage the threaded second end portion.

20 7. The device of claim 6 wherein the or each locking nut includes a non-threaded sleeve, which extends around a portion of the rod or tube.

8. The device of ~~any one of claims 2 to 7~~^{claim 2} wherein the mounting is adapted to be attached to said building element.

- claim 8*
9. The device of ~~any one of claims 1 to 8~~ wherein said building element has an aperture and said securing means passes through or engages with the aperture.
10. The device of claim 9 when dependent on claim 2 wherein the building element is sandwiched between the mounting and at least part of the securing means.
11. A building element including at least one mounting location for receiving the anchor device of ~~any one of claims 1 to 10~~ *claim 1*.
12. The building element of claim 11 wherein the or each location is a threaded bore.
13. The building element of claim 12 ~~when dependent on claim 2~~ wherein the or each location is a bore sized to allow the securing means to pass therethrough to engage the mounting means and sandwich the building element between the mounting means and at least part of the securing means.
14. The combination of an anchor device as claimed in ~~any one of claims 1 to 10~~ *claim 1* and a building element ~~as claimed in any one of claims 11 to 13~~ *including at least one mounting location for receiving the anchor device*.
15. An anchor device, substantially as herein described with reference to the drawings.
16. A building element, substantially as herein described with reference to the drawings.

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